Griffith Differs With Connie About Cobb's Value---Acosta on Way to Report

WILL MAKE IT GO

It doesn't always happen that a baseball club employs three men who were born on the same day of the same year, but it has happened so with the Naps. Thus, Hyder Barr, who failed to stick with the Somerites in 1912, first saw the light of day on October 6, 1886. That date also was the birthdate of J. Buddy Ryan, who was a Nap in

1912 and 1913 and will not be a Nap in 1914. And now comes Jack Knight, one of the newest Cleveland players, who states that he, too, was born on October 6, 1886.

It is to be hoped that Knight sticks with the Naps longer than the other two men who were born on October 6, 1886.

OLD FOX DIFFERS WITH CONNIE MACK ABOUT VALUE OF TYRUS COBB

Comes Out Again With Statement That He'll Give \$100,000 for Hughey Jennings' Star-Merito Acosta Leaves Havana to Report at Charlottesville Camp.

By THOMAS KIRBY.

Connie Mack dissents from Clark Griffith's opinion as to the value of

Last summer the Washington manager said he stood ready to give \$190,000 for Cobb; the other day he repeated the assertion. Now comes Connie Mack in the following interview in Philadelphia:

"I don't want Cobb for any price," Connie said today. "I don't want any trouble makers." When Connie was asked if he considered Cobb worth \$100,000 he remarked: "Well, Griffith may think so, but I would look at a nickel a long time before I would buy Cobb to keep himand Cobb is a wonderful vall player."

"What I first said about Cobb, still stands," comes back the Washington manager. "If spending \$100,000 would give Washington a pennant I stand ready to make the offer. I think Cobb would do that little thing and that's the reason I am still sincere in my offer for the Detroit player."

that Merito Acosta has sailed from Cuba and would probably reach the Capital the latter part of this week.

week. The outfielder is reporting early,.

brigade he may do so, but the whole matter will be left to the player. The chances are that Moeller will take the trip to the training camp with Shanks and Acosta on March 1, when Griffith will probably also take a flying trip to Lambeth Field to see what development is being brought about in the first con-

No word has yet come from Bob signment of players, who will be ship-groom, but Griffith today received word ped next Monday.

that Merito Acosta has sailed from Cuba and would probably reach the Capital the latter part of this week.

Danny Moeller is due here early next week. The outfielder is reporting early, week. The outfielder is reporting early, whin the hungry athletes will devour, whin the hungry athletes will devour, whin the hungry athletes will devour. week. The outfielder is reporting early, voluntarily.

Should Moelier desire to go to Charlottesville in advance of the regu'ar briende he may do so, but the whole best early training table afforded any team that goes to the Southland to round into shape.

Says Big Money May Bring Him

CHICAGO, Feb. 17 .- Jake Stahl ad-

mitted that an offer had been made to

him to manage the Brooklyn Federal

League team, but said that as yet be

hadn't decided what he would do. Pres

ed my money. Now, it's pretty hard for me to see any way of leaving that

business again.
"I haven't given Mr. Gilmore a final

To Tampa for Training

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 17.-Through

the exchange of players, Sacramento is to be furnished a second baseman to take the place left vacant by William

can League club and the Sacramento club, of the Pacific Coast League, for

of Brooklyn Club.

Back to Game as Manager

FEDERALS ARE SEEKING WYATT LEE, VETERAN OF came to me soddenly, and I can't say what I'll do. I certainly bad a swell offer from the Federal League men, and I wouldn't hestiate a minute because of any fear of getting my money. I MANY YEARS ON MOUND think the league will go fine. But when I was let out of Boston last summer I gave up baseball forever, and since then have given my entire attention to the South Side Bank, in which I investing the south Side Bank, in w

By THOMAS KIRBY.

ed Newark cop top honors in the Ined Newark cop top honors in the In-days' notice and if injured he can be ternational League, is the latest player laid off without pay. The contract stipwanted by the Federals.

satisfied to return to the Newark club. lease. unless the Feds should come through with some elaborate financial proposition. When Lee left the club here there were many who thought that he would experience but a short career in the upper minors, but he has come through leyan University team. n good shape each year, and, in addi-

In order that his coacher may complete his bookings in the act in which he is now starring, Clark Griffith has excused Nick Altrock until March I. It was originally intended that Altrock should go to Charlottesville with the first delegation next Monday, but as this would interfere with engagements he has in Virginia theaters, the manager told him he need not report until the first of the month.

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Altrock could be of little use to the first contingent until they had been in the winter while they work in the summer.

Charles W. Somers plans to give the filled by two of the five other inaciders, in whom O Day expresses much confidence.

Cleveland while the Naps are keeping read engagements.

While it is difficult to see just how the Feds can successfully compete with the majors, unless at Chicago where Molwitz and Saler, first baseman, Zimmerman, third baseman; Needham and Tyree catchers; Stewart, Allison, Larlottesville for a week or more, for the discredit the Cuba, the conviction is growing that the American Association cago, and Good, outfielders.

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maintaining a respectable speed in their race it is difficult to see how the Feds respective cities in the American Assonant prosper there without a shift in organized baseball's plans. Considering the fact that Newark finished in front.

Nick Altrock paused in his thespian the property of the Pacific Coast League, for the pacific Coa

Introoklyn by the Feds it has about been thus been sufficiently refined in pits decided to shift the Newark franchise to win a regular turn on the staff, of the International League to the city persons the bridge and send the Jersey The Ward company, which is furnished.

backstopping next summer. As a mai-the coming season succester of fact Munch is the property of the see a club in New York. ern League.

The much discussed option clause in Brooklyn Feds.

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Wyatt Lee, formerly of the Washing- | crease of \$300 next year and no more if wyatt Lee, formerly of the Washing-ton ball club, and who last season help-ton ball club, and who last season help-the option on his services is exercised. In a service answer yet. One may see a way to do a lot of things for a lot of money." Lee winters in this city, and is well for ten years in the Federal League he

> Lave Cross, one of the discards handed Washington when Cantillon was in the conning tower here, has about gotten through with all active playing. He might for Tampa, where he will begin has just signed to coach the Ohio Wes- the task of developing one-half of a new infield for the Cubs. The deser-Don't ge too strong on that report that

tion of Shortstop Bridwell, who jumption to making good as a pitcher, has always stood well among the hitters on the Barrows circuit.

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charlottesville for a week or more, for the daties he will be asked to perform the daties he will be asked to perform the daties he will be in smoothing out the deliveries and International league will lose many and International league will lose many a dollar through the Federal movement. Ned Hanlon and his fellow workers at Baltimore promise to give Jack Dunn and the Orioles no little trouble, while in Indianapoles and Kanesa Civy the in Indianapolis and Kansas City the Feds are said to be strong enough to saintaining a respectable speed in their cone with the club representing these

t season and Jersey City was last, it activities sufficiently long last night to be interesting to see how the public pay tributes to Joe Boelding and Bert Rewark will receive the proposed Gallia. The veteran southpaw takes exception to the statement that Boelding In order to fight off the invasion of broken by the Feds it has about been broken by the Feds it has about been broken by the International League to the city from the International League to the Ci

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Washington cinbs, respectively," said
Jacobs.

The Tigers are situated so that they
can help us a lot, and in return we expect to send them a lot of promising
young players.

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U. circles, James E. Sullivan, chairman
of the A. A. U. registration committee, yesterday announced that he would
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young players.

Wilson and ascertain if it was in aclocation of the coming campaign. He batted 350 in
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Bill Dahlen, Willie Keeler, and Fielder Jones are among the nominees for the managerial position for the

the Federal League contracts is herewith published. The Feds have battered away at the reserve clause in ordered by the constitution of the clause in ordered by the constitution of the feds and Johnny Evers, left for Tampa layers from that to year.

Here is the clause:

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MAYBE THE THIRD MAN Altrock Comes, Peeks, and Conquers All Bugs in Washington at the Cosmos Theater



'Bugs" Baer Takes a Night Off to Watch the Strange Antics of "Dutch" Schaefer's Partner and Agrees With Everybody That the Show is Real Thing.

Baseball bugs. Are you sad and doleful? Are you pining for the good old baseball days? Do you miss the crack of the bat, and the shrill cry of your brother bugs ?

ident Gilmor,e of the league and Presi-dent Weeghman had a long conference with the former Red Sox leader last night and afterward Jake talked about Then gallop to the Cosmos, and buy your way in, for there is a convention of baseball bugs meeting there all this week, the presiding bug being none other han the granddaddy of all the baseball bugs, the Most High and Lofty Bug, Nick Altrock.

All the bugs in town were there last night, the papa bugs, the mamma bugs, and the baby bugs, and they certainly did yodle when Grandpa Bug Nick crawled out on the stage.

When the umps away, the bugs will play, and there were no umps to gum up the procession last night. Nick played the whole game by himself, gave all the decisions, made all the hits, and scored all the runs, besides winning a wrestling match for himself, and knocking himself out in the last inning.

The only thing Nick couldn't do was to make a speech for himself. His delivery was so puzzling to himself, that he yanked himself out and put Nick Altrock in to bat for him.

just choked up and spiked himself in the vocal chords. But his voice wasn't hand-

cord with the practice of eadets infring-ing rules which were calculated to im-prove the standard of athletic amateur-

In Greek Letter League ism throughout the United States.
"I have no doubt," said, Mr. Suillivan, "that President Wilson, as an old football player and college athlete who was ball player and college athlete who was

Infielder for Coast TO CLEAR UP MIX-UP

cuffed when it came to sing-

Not by an earful. Nick is way out on that Caruso stuff, and assisted by Pork Chop Evers, he knocked the bugs off their seats. Even Clark Griffith sat up and called a balk on him, which shows that he is a leaguer. The granddaddy of all

gets all his legs working together, but not wishing to absorb all the calcium he left most of the Gaby Deslys thunder to Pork Nick acted just as crazy as a goldfish with his head out of the aquarium, but he struck the old

hearttrobs when he recited a

bugs can dance a few, when he

poem written to him by Lardner, the famous Chicago sports writer. He was inclined to be a little gun shy at first, and batted with one foot in the water bucket, but he soon got the lemon colcred stuff out of his system and

hit them to all corners of the

Among some of the bugs the bleachers who rooted for the Altrock-Evers team to cop the theatrical pennant were Clark Griffith, Jack Ryan, Mike Martin, Jim Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. Chick Gandil, all the rest of the

Rabid Rudolph, too. said before, was Umps, and he will get there, even if he has to cheat for the home team.

150 games, stole forty-six sacks, and counted 100 tallies. His fielding per-

Owgoost Hermann says that every

man who plays with the Federal League this season will be barred from organ-ized baseball forever.

By canning Johnny Evers Boss Mur-

deprived his team of one title

bugs in the town, and Alex All the bugs were there, and No use, Nick was so grateful and happy over the roaring wel-The only one missing, as we come the bugs gave him, that he

WILL ASK PRESIDENT

MIDDY ATHLETICS

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phy deprived his to the "Human Crabs."

house.

HILLTOPPERS WILL

Georgetown Will Try to Equal Good Work of C. U. Against Visiting Five.

Georgetown's varsity basketball team will tonight endeavor to equal the good work of the Brookland five against the strong Washington and Lee quint last night, and the outlook is for a fierce contest at Ryan Gymnasium at the Hilltop. Washington and Lee has one of the fastest teams in this part of the country, and is sure to force the Hill-toppers to travel at top speed for the

toppers to travel at top speed for the victory.

Catholic University lived up to its best record in defeating the Lexingtonians last night by a score of 25 to 29. The Brooklanders should have won by a vider nargin but the visitors kept them busy at all times, staving off their wild rushes down the floor. Washington and Lee played great basketball in the second period, but the lead established by C. U. in the first period was too great to be overcome.

Big Baseball Moguls. Refuse Peace Terms

NEW YORK, Feb. 17 .- In a special column for errors of judgment some of the recent occurrences in the baseball "war" would force the names of officials in organized baseball. It de-veloped yesterday that the l'ederal League contingent came to New York last week on the invitation of Thomas Chivington, president of the Ameri-1 can Association, who saw a chance to end the Federal League expansion by turning over to Charles Weeghman, of Chicago, and James A. Gilmore, a fran-And shining spikes and thudding For remnants of some pennant chise in the American Association on the understanding that the Federal League would cease its activity. The national commission killed that scheme figuring that if the Federal League could be bought off with a franchise n Class AA, it was not worth seriously considering as an opponent.

At his home in Louisville, Mr. Chiv. ington is now trying to comfort him-self with the knowledge that he made ill possible overtures to a movement that is now recognized as more than merely threatening. Until all chances of an agreement with all organized ball had vanished the Federal Leaguers did not uncover the financial backing of Robert B. Ward, the friendship of Hen-Frick, and the possibility enlisting others financially able to apply the sinews of war.

Al Schultz Arrives At Training Camp

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Feb. 17 .- Pitcher Al Schultz, one of Frank Chance's oungsters, joined the New York Amercans' squad at the Hotel Eastman to day. He raises the total to six-Keating, McHale, Cole, Criss and Reynolds,

ing the winter, as there is not a sure enough overweight warrior in the camp. The weather was strictly of the summer variety, the thermometer standing well up in the 60's, and the New York-ers got in a four-hour hike over the hills. The long walk came after lunch. King Cole hit out by himself at 11 clock and di dnot return to the hotel

Allen, of the Brooklyn Dodgers are the latest additions to the Spa's baseball

Willie Ritchie Signs To Battle Ad Wolgast

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 17 - Willie Ritchie, lightweight champion, has signed to meet Ad Wolgast in a ten-round can't see the Federal League, but still they are preparing to light 'can. How can you atrike something or grab it if you can't see it?

Pirates vs. Tigers.

PITSBURGH. Feb. 17.-John H. Dailey, business manager of the Pitts burgh National League baseball club, announced today the Pirates will play

RAY CLARKE EXPECTED TO LAND CAPTAINCY OF EASTERN HIGH'S ELEVEN

Election Will Be Held Thursday by the Capitol Hillers and Laurels Will Be Awarded to the Heroes-Want Episcopal Relay to Meet Central High's Stars.

Ray Clarke, of Eastern High School, who holds the distinction of being leader of a track team yet to be materialized, stands an excellent chance to land the football captaincy at the coming election, according to those who are nterested in the athletic activities of the Light Blue and White.

Clarke proved his worth as a fullback last fall, is popular in the school, stands well in his work, and is looked upon as a strong candidate. Frank Greer, now-ever, will get a big slice of the attention. It has been Greer's strength during the past two seasons that has been the bulk of the defense for Eastern and he may be rewarded with the position. Eastern has taken its time in awarding school letters for honors won last fall. The choice of the captaincy has been delayed for one reason or another, but the tardy laureis will be given on Thursday, when athletic emblerns will be awarded and a captain elected.

Dopesters have it that Episcopal High School, of Alexandria, should meet Central High School in a relay race at

tral High School in a relay race at Convention Hall when the Georgetown meet is held three weeks off. The Alexandria team went the mile relay two seconds faster than Central, which was not pushed by the Georgetown Preps or the Army and Navy Preps at Baltimore Saturday.

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Several former high school players are enrolled on the yoster of the fraternity teams at George Washington and have a large following. Leetch and Peck, who have brothers at Western at present, are playing with the teams and proposed for catcher this spring, is rated as one of the best of the high school basketball players. While Tech has no regular team, Steed got his early training at the "Y" with the Yankees. He is at present with the Epiphany Church aggregation.

Notice how the championships are being distributed during the seasons? Central annexed the football title in 1912-13, the basketball honor went to Army and Navy Prep. Eastern took the baseball title, Western won the track affair, and so far this year Tech has won the honor in football, with Business a sure titleholder in basketball. It is a regular rotation all around the calender.

Sregation.

Army and Navy Prep failed to come up to expectations in the Baltimere track meet. Central wholly outclassed the Blue and White relay team, while none of the sprinters got into the money.

Practically all of the high school baseball teams will follow the lead of the college teams here in getting out

By BRYAN MORSE.

All of the high school track squads are setting sail for the date of March 7, when the Georgetown meet will be held. Few of the lads will go to Richmond on Saturday, when the Richmond College—Richmond Blues—will held their annual meet in the horse show building. Clarke proved his worth as a fullback In decisively defeating all comers, Business claims the right to the title of interscholastic chimpion. The Orange and Blue has to meet Cathedral in its final game. George Green's youngsters have shown a lot of improvement, and with the addition of Coburn seem to be in condition to make Business go the limit to win. Coburn, by the way, is showing as good form as any of the forwards uncovered this season.

Western is expecting to tackle the Georgetown Prep team on the Prep floor today. Some time ago the Preps hung a 28-to-27 defeat on the Red and White.

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Austin Howard, Tech's new baseball coach, is sure to make a hit with the Manual Trainers. He will have some fine material to work with and must into shape in short order.

Practically all of the high school baseball teams will follow the lead of the college teams here in getting out their hattery candidates this week. Central, Tech, and Business have already had preliminary workouts, while Eastern are expected to get into shape in short order.

With life tied up in this one flurry-

Hard Luck Bill.

"Now is the winter of my discontent,"

Showing in Bill's day it was evident

law league.

Wrote Avon Bill in paplable fatigue.

There was no rare space-filling out-

or a year ago, at this date, that the pun-

gent Braves of Boston would by 1914 be

considered in the light of pennant possi-

bilities, the suggester would have prob-

ably been impeached and subjected to

horrible torture. But when it comes

to launching miracles, George Stallings

doesn't have to run second to either

McGraw or Mack. All the Boston chief

requests before any start is a franchise and a ball park. The rest of it with

him is merely a matter of a few brief weeks in which to round up the ac-

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For, if resulting from your lark, With grandstands and with playing You make the

And all that competition yields; And crowd all ousiness to Come on, fill up each spot in sight To make room for the whizzing Until around us, left and right, The air is full of two-base hits Claiming each well located space

mitts. And all that appertains unto The game we yearly come to woo. Well, we should worry.

The two big leagues aver the fans to Brooklyn, what Brooklyn scribes won't stand for the brand of ball the are planning to cover Bill Bradley on his training trip? We know of no greater opening for a scribe to horn in as an athlete and help Bill plug a belief that Caesar was correct when he belief that Caesar was correct when he couple of gaps, thereby evening up with remarked. "I would rather root for a winner in a little Iberian village than on the scribes.

for a tail-ender in Rome." The two majors are likely to find competition especially keen in cities where said majors are operating tailend contenders against clubs verging upon first place. So far as the average fanatic is concerned, it takes quite a bit to slip on by the daily standing of the

The Fraternity Kink.

President Dave Fultz and the Players' Fraternity are in quite a technical fix. According to their constitution, by-laws, etc., only the two major leagues and the two class A. A. circuits are eligible for membership. This leaves the Feds. for membership. This leaves the Feds out of the fo d, inellgible to partake of the association. Yet it was the Fed uprising which not

the last named a rookle, a promising volume receiver from Houston, having reached the Spa Saturday. Schultz is already close to playing weight. It's the same with the other five Highlanders. All of them evidently took the best of care of themselves during the winter as there is not a sure.

The Fraternity was started to uplift. The Fraternity was started to uplift the athlete, to better his conditions, nothing else. Yet the Feds have up-lifted the athlete beyond any other fac-tor. And still the Feds are not eligible for membership in any organization requiring the same way

pointing the same way. On the other wing, the Fraternity is up against the proposition of not yet knowing just what the Federal League will be whether it will make good or fizzle out within a year.

Regarding any assistance the Feds may have offered players in organized baseball, it's a cinch, of course, that with no Fed upheaval around the N. L. would have made a rush to guarantee Evers' salary for four years after Mur-phy had drop-kicked Johnny out of his ball yard. Can any one doubt it?

The one magnate whom the Feds haven't bumped or rumpled in any way is our old social and business pal, the Hon. C. Webb Murphy. Mr. Murphy is so busily engaged in dashing headlong to destruction that no outside impetus could possibly add to his general traced.

One Reason.

"Why haven't the Feds decided to invade Boston?" inquires G. F. D. Mainly because Boston already has three major league teams—the Red Sox. the Braves, and Charley Brickley.

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